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Terry Brookman, left, supervisor of the Madison County Rabies Control, and Todd Kruse, a Madison County Animal Control officer, scan a dog for identification.

ID numbers imprinted

Microchip locates lost pets

A tiny computer chip could be a big benefit for owners of lost pets.

Veterinarians are beginning to inject a microchip under animals' skin that reveals a unique code when scanned electronically.

"The chips are a sure-fire way of identifying your animal," Madison County Humane Society director Pat Jones said. "We are enthused about it because it might help people get their dogs and cats back."

Collinsville veterinarian David Hall, Madison

County administrator of rabies control, said the chips cost about \$25 each at most veterinarian offices and have been in use since he began the process over a week ago.

Shelters and veterinarians who find and treat stray animals can call Avid, the California company that manufactures the chip, after scanning the unique code to determine the owner and the veterinarian who injected the chip.

The Humane Society is considering making the (See PETS, Page B4)

Zoning hearing still planned

By Bob Slatz
Staff writer

Although the developer of a proposed apartment complex in the Dobson Slough subdivision has withdrawn from the controversial project, the property owner had not withdrawn his request for rezoning by Friday afternoon.

"We have advised people not to throw away their petitions and not to consider this finished," said Nameoki Township

Supervisor Ken Davis.

"I would encourage people to plan to attend the (March 17) zoning hearing until the petition is officially withdrawn," Davis said.

William R. Morrison, owner, and Daniel A. Metz, developer, have applied to the Madison County Zoning Board of Appeals to rezone the 8.4 acres

on Maryville Road — across from the Elks' Lodge and next door to Word of Life Tabernacle — from R-3 (single family resi-

dence) to R-5 (multi-family) to build a \$3.1 million 48-unit apartment complex.

A zoning hearing is scheduled for 9:15 a.m. Friday at the board.

Mike L. Hensel, development coordinator for Lockwood Development Company of Webster Groves, withdrew his participation from the project after Nameoki Township resident mounted a petition drive opposing the development.

Residents opposing the development had expressed concern (See HEARING, Page B4)

about the proposed development. The zoning hearing is scheduled for 9:15 a.m. Friday at the board.

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County may rebid recycling facility

By Bob Slatz
Staff writer

Madison County will probably have to seek new proposals from companies wishing to build a clean, modern waste facility here, the county's top environmental official says.

"We will probably reject all the bids and seek new proposals," said Joe Parente, administrator of the county's building and zoning department.

According to a state law requiring municipalities to recycle at least 25 percent of the waste stream by next summer, the county has tried to attract a \$2 million clean, modern waste facility (merit) to accept source-separated recyclables collected in a curbside program.

The county sought competing proposals for the project and bids were based on specifications projecting a certain volume of materials to be delivered to the facility, Parente said.

"When we designed the project, we assumed all cities would participate in a curbside recycling

program," Parente said Friday.

"But that apparently isn't going to happen."

Norton Environmental, one of the companies that bid on the project, has upset the county's curbside plans by wooing cities with a proposal to build an \$8 million facility on a site on the river that would accept all garbage and then pull recyclables and compost from the waste and produce a refuse derived fuel (RDF) that would be built in Wood River's Lewis and Clark Envirotech Business Park.

Wood River and other Alton-area communities have committed to the Norton plant. An Alton official said he expects the city to commit to the Norton plan soon.

Earlier this month, seven Granite City officials traveled to the city to view a mixed waste facility built and operated by Norton.

Granite City's garbage hauling contract with Waste Manage-

ment expires in August. City officials have not yet decided which plan to adopt, but have indicated they are leaning toward the dirty merit plan.

Parente, who also visited the Norton plant, said there is little difference between the mixed waste facility and a clean merit, except the "dirty" merit handles garbage in addition to recyclables.

Proponents of both plans — clean and dirty — can meet the state mandate as long as communities such as Granite City are included. Both plans are expected to cost an additional \$2 per month per household.

A mixed waste facilities can divert more material from landfills than clean merits through the production of RDF. Parente said recycling — not incineration — is the pressing issue now.

"We feel there are some issues involved in that a mixed waste facility is not the best choice for Madison County," Parente said.

(See RECYCLING, Page B4)

Miller back on Madison ballot

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Madison 2nd Ward Alderman Ralph Miller said he felt like campaigning Thursday afternoon.

Miller's name was placed back on the April 4 ballot Thursday morning following a technical problem, and the board's action was "against the manifest weight of the evidence," Miller said.

The election board dropped Miller from the ballot following a challenge from Sharon Cass, the wife of Miller's opponent, Tom Cass.

Cass said Thursday she was not sure if the decision would be appealed.

The judge ruled the way he felt he should, and will we go on from here and have an election," she said.

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tinued, so I can start this afternoon.

Associate Judge David Hernon reversed the board's decision, saying it "had not clearly established" the need to take action to remove Miller from the ballot.

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Grocery deal a good one: Ryan

Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan says an agreement that would allow Schnucks Markets Inc.'s purchase of National Super Markets including 10 in Granite City area is in the best interest of consumers.

"Illinois consumers can be assured that this agreement protects their interests," Ryan said. "Schnucks is a quality grocery store chain and an excellent corporate citizen and we are pleased to see them expanding their operations in Illinois. But we also wanted to make sure consumers continue to have a competitive marketplace," he said.

Ryan said his office participated in negotiating the plan requiring 24 Schnucks stores (See DEAL, Page B4)

Sports spotlight

Burge, Koch players of the year

By Dave Whaley
Staff writer

The 1994-95 high school girls' basketball season didn't produce any state tournament qualifiers for the Metro East, but there was no shortage of individual stars.

The brightest were Belleville East senior Sara Burge and Trenton Wescell senior Kristel Koch. Those two were named as the *Journals* Class AA and Class A Players of the Year.

The complete list of girls' team based on voting by area coaches will appear in Wednesday's sports section.

Burge, a 6-2 post player who will play college basketball at DePaul University in Chicago, averaged 17.8 points and 10 rebounds for the Lancers, who finished 20-8 and lost in the sectional semifinals to Jerseyville on Feb. 20. Burge was a two-year starter for Belleville East.

"Sara's big improvement came between her sophomore and junior year when we got her doing some things in the offseason," said Lancers coach Paul James. "She really decided to work harder, more basketball, and developed a lot of self-confidence in her ability."

(See PLAYERS, Page B4)



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BOX:

How do you think the Republican Contract with America will affect you?

By SHIRLEY VALENCIA



Martha Bandy, Granite City
"As a senior citizen, I feel my future security is in jeopardy."



Joe Perigan, Granite City
"I believe a positive effect will be felt by the working class of this country."



Joe Bargiel, Granite City
"If they keep their word for the working man, I'm all for it; it will affect us either way."



Emmett Ward, Madison
"I'm a senior citizen, I'm scared of new contracts of any kind. That's hard to answer. Just don't try raising the retirement age to 79."



Peggy Hunt, Granite City
"Our country has been in distress for so long, I think any change in our political future is good. As for me, personally, I'm working class, I'm keeping my fingers crossed for the good."

Jury acquits man who allegedly beat trooper

By Bonita Tillman
Staff writer

A St. Clair County jury acquitted a man who allegedly beat and robbed a Illinois State Police trooper during an undercover operation last year.

George L. Smith, 29, of East St. Louis was sentenced to 10 years for two counts of aggravated battery of a peace officer and one count of each of robbery and burglary.

Smith and two codefendants allegedly beat State trooper Stygar, took his gun, wallet, watch, badge and car Aug. 29.

Dorne Kidd of East St. Louis was sentenced to 10 years for his part in the beating. Robert Brinkley of East St. Louis is awaiting trial on the same charges.

Police found one of Smith's friends at the scene of the beating, but Stygar was unable to pick Smith out of either a photo line-up or an actual lineup. He actually picked another man as the suspect during the second lineup.

Stygar was on a prostitution

detail in East St. Louis when he was approached by a man named George who offered his help. Stygar let the man get in the car and drove a block to a nearby bar. Stygar said the man and a woman who came to the car and negotiated with Stygar for prostitution services.

When Stygar tried to arrest the woman, two men jumped him from behind, threw him to the ground and beat and kicked him until they got his gun.

Assistant State's Attorney Rick Rousto said Smith was at the scene and set up the transaction, but was not involved in the beating.

The woman told police during questioning that Smith was the man who had called her from the house. Rousto also said Stygar did not identify the man when they questioned him that the man he had picked up had beaten or kicked him.

Smith had a long criminal history, including a conviction for armed robbery. He was ordered held by IDOC, which had filed a parole violation petition after Smith was arrested in Stygar's car.

Another jury acquitted Smith in 1991 of first degree murder in the shooting of a Spanish Lake woman during a First Street and St. Clair Avenue raid on East St. Louis with a friend to find a prostitute in April 1991.

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Haine struck by car; knee is fractured

ALTON — Madison County's top prosecutor is recovering from a fractured knee after he was struck by a car while on his way to a meeting in Springfield.

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine, who was scheduled for surgery Thursday evening at St. Anthony's Hospital, was in good spirits despite the serious nature of the prospect of eight weeks of rehabilitative therapy.

"It's really painful," Haine said from his hospital room Thursday. "The doctor said I probably won't be able to put any weight on it for eight weeks. I have to say this is pretty frustrating, although I'm happy I'm not in worse shape."

Haine was struck by a 1979 Mercury while walking across a one-way street about 1 p.m. Wednesday in downtown Springfield. He was on his way to a meeting with Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan when he attempted to make a left turn and chip his right knee. No tickets were issued by police; the name of the driver was not available.

The impact of the crash sent Haine toppling onto the vehicle's hood and back to the ground.

"I was a fresh thing," he said. "Maybe I was living life too fast and the car was trying to slow down."

Haine was taken to Springfield's St. John's Hospital after the accident and family members brought him back to Alton late Wednesday.

"They picked me up in a van and drove me home," he said. "I was all broken up. This thing is really painful. A couple of my neighbors helped me into the house when I got home."

Mark Von Nida, Haine's administrative assistant, said the staff was shocked by the news, but everyone is pitching in to help hold down the fort.

He was thinking about his meeting and didn't see the car coming, Von Nida said. "The woman was apparently watching the traffic that was stopped at a red light and she turned right into him," Von Nida said. "I don't know what else."

"She was not really at fault," Von Nida said. "They just didn't see each other."

— From the Alton Telegraph



Haine

Tort bill prompts flurry of suits

It's back to business as usual in the Madison County Circuit Clerk's Office.

Plaintiffs attorneys who beat a path to the courthouse last week to file civil lawsuits are apparently back on track now that Gov. Jim Edgar has signed off on the tort reform bill.

"I have definitely slowed down around here," Circuit Clerk Matt Melucci said Thursday. "We had about 505 new filings last week, compared with about 63 so far this week. The dust is starting to settle."

Fees to 10 suits are normally filed each day.

Dozens of attorneys scrambled to file suits in anticipation of the governor's signature on the bill that puts a \$50,000 limit on pain and suffering damages in most suits involving medical malpractice and products.

Melucci said the bulk of the suits were filed Feb. 28.

"I was initially thinking it was great because the filings were generating a lot of extra revenue for the county," he said. "But now that it has slowed down, I'm beginning to realize that these suits would be better off not filed."

"It was a big blip, but all indications are that it will level out," he said. "The attorneys were apparently trying to file before the law took effect."

Several clerks worked a few hours overtime last week, and a few were called in Saturday to catch up on paperwork.

"I must say the clerks did a very thorough job," he said. "They were on top of their work all week. A lot of our new automation really helped out."

As the lawsuits began piling in, clerks were forced to stack files on counter tops, desktops and the floor.

"We're still working on the new files," Melucci said. "It's been so busy around here I haven't really had time to catch up with the new legislation. We always hear about it after the fact."

He said he expects business to return to normal today.

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Man charged in stabbing

A Venice man has been charged in the March 5 stabbing of another man in the parking lot of a local bar.

Anthony Bell, 34, of the 1200 block of Oriole Street, was charged Monday with aggravated battery and armed robbery, according to the state's attorney's office. Bail was set at \$50,000.

According to the Sheriff's Department, the victim was standing in the parking lot of Blake's Lounge when Bell allegedly came over and stabbed the victim in the back. No reason was given for the stabbing.

The victim was not seriously injured, according to police.

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OPINION

My view

Cars rev up hearts of auto nuts

One of the most amazing social phenomena of the 20th century has been the average American's love affair with the automobile.

The automobile, for many, has progressed from merely a form of transportation to a form of self-expression, a mobile art form, even a social statement.

For most of us, this childhood love affair dims under the practical pressures of raising a family, making a living and paying the bills. The

250-horsepower sports coupe soon gives way to the 4-cylinder station wagon or van, complete with baby seats.

I first became enamored with cars at about age 13, years before I did most girls. I viewed them as something potentially entertaining enough to take along on a drive, but certainly nothing to aspire to seriously. After all, a good car can last for years, but girlfriends are notoriously unreliable.

I never have recovered from my love of old cars. The current form of my affliction is that I am an old-car nut, with "old" being defined as having with calls and confessions from others who share this obsession. For example, a certain mall



Don Miller

filled with old parts being de-greasers, a garage full of extra fenders and missing toothbrushes after wire wheels are cleaned.

Will you suspect your husband is a potential old-car nut, there is one sure test. Some evening, after the children are asleep and the wife is quiet, she snags him on the couch and ask, "Honey, do you still remember our honeymoon?"

If he answers, with a quiver in his voice, "But I still do. We had that yellow Chevy coupe, then I wonder where it is now," you'll know for sure.

Since admitting in this column a few weeks ago I am a hopeless chocaholic, I have been deluged with calls and confessions from others who share this obsession.

For example, a certain mall

manager keeps a supply of Hershey Symphony bars in her purse "in case of an emergency," even though she is on a diet.

A local real-estate agent has a secret hiding place at home where he keeps a supply of mystery sugar of chocolate hidden from his wife and children for use if he wakes up in the middle of the night and can't get back to sleep.

Below chocaholics agree there are two types of chocolate: children's chocolate such as hollow bunnies and Easter eggs, and real chocolate such as Sybaritic, Godiva and Nestle's milk chocolate.

One reader pointed out that chocolate is the perfect food for the novice cook, as it is almost impossible to destroy an unsatisfactory meal. It can be passed off as ice-cream topping; failed brownies can be presented as chocolate pudding; and even a failed chocolate souffle can be worn as a stylish beret. Personally, I'd be a little careful about that last suggestion, especially on a warm day.

Remember the chocaholic's motto: Chocolate is too important to waste on children.

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Common Cause and Public Citizen are leading a campaign to free legislators from taking a no-gift pledge. So far, seven of the 100 senators have said no, as have 44 Congressmen (only 3 from Illinois and 2 from Missouri).

Common Cause sent me a copy of the pledge which I have

sent to Jerry Costello and Carol Moseley Braun (I figure that Sen. Braun is on the way out).

This pledge sitting on their desks will only be something from some "whacker" (as Rush Limbaugh would say) political action committee, more voters contact their legislators.

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Education, training emphasized

Welfare bill will change system

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. Jim Edgar has launched changes in the state's welfare system that supporters say will shift the emphasis from dependence to independence.

"Public assistance should be a lifeline, not a lifestyle. We are marking the end of welfare as we have known it and replacing it with an approach that emphasizes self-sufficiency and parental responsibility," the governor said in approving the measure Monday.

The most controversial section of the bill would cut off increased benefits for each new child. The other major provisions of the legislation include:

— A requirement that all new applicants with children between the ages of 5 and 13 be enrolled in a job search program for six months.

— A requirement that teen parents 17 and

under live with parents or adult guardians as a condition of receiving AFDC checks unless there is a risk of being abused or neglected.

✓ AFDC parents under 18 who don't have a high school diploma or GED would be required to go back to school or a GED program and use a portion of their monthly welfare grant.

✓ Delaying payments to families of elementary school children with a history of chronic truancy problems until they participate in counseling and corrective programs.

✓ Allowing the state Department of Revenue to seize and auction off personal property and real estate of persons delinquent in paying child support to satisfy the amount owed.

Requiring the Department of Professional Regulation to revoke occupational and professional licenses of people more than 30 days late complying with a child support order.

The governor contended the changes "maintain help for the needy, especially for children, but it requires adults to take a greater responsibility for themselves and for their families."

But Sister Julia Huiskamp of the Illinois Catholic Conference's Griffin Center in East St. Louis said she welcomed that some provision of the bill as a right.

For example, a cutoff of welfare benefits after two years for mothers with no children under age 13 "may not be appropriate for everyone since you may have a mother with a sixth-grade education who will need more than two years to get the training for a job."

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WOMEN'S PROGRAM: What Every Woman Should Know About Incontinence, Wednesday, March 15, 7 p.m. Urologists Dennis Stanczyk, M.D., and Vijay Aher, M.D., will discuss incontinence symptoms, causes, and treatment options for women. To register for this free Women's Program call extension 1575.

10-WEEK SENIOR CHAIR/LIGHT AEROBICS, March 21 - May 25, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-10 a.m. Program includes chair exercises and light aerobics. To register call extension 1156.

HEART HEALTHY SCREENING, March 24, 10 a.m. - Noon, New Athens Senior Center. Cholesterol, Diabetes and Blood Pressure Check - \$8. By appointment only. Sponsored by St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Belleville Area College's PSOP and St. Clair County Health Department. Register by March 22 - call 475-3683 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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NOTICE

Requests for Citizen's Comments regarding Consolidated Plan for Madison County

Madison County Community Development (MCCD) is requesting the public's comments on housing, homeless, and community development needs in Madison County as required by the proposed CONSOLIDATED PLAN. The CONSOLIDATED PLAN is a federally required planning document that must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) as a prerequisite for funding consideration for several different HUD programs. The needs are requested in conformance with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) program, and the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. MCCD intends to identify the needs in the County and develop objectives for addressing needs in these programs. Citizens are encouraged to comment. A special emphasis will be placed on comments from citizens who are residents of slums and blighted areas and from residents of very low, low and moderate income neighborhoods. Citizens, public agencies and other interested parties are invited to attend public hearings at the following dates and locations.

March 29, 1995 at 2:00 p.m.
• City of Highland Council Chambers, 1115 Broadway, Highland, IL

March 30, 1995 at 2:00 p.m.
• City of Granite City, Council Chambers, 2000 Edison, Granite City, IL

March 30, 1995 at 7:00 p.m.
• Edwardsville Township, 300 West Park, Edwardsville, IL

March 31, 1995 at 2:00 p.m.
• City of Alton, Council Chambers, 101 East Third Street, Alton, IL

Those unable to attend the public hearings are urged to submit written comments regarding the needs of the community to: Madison County Community Development, 130 Hillsboro, Edwardsville, IL, 62025.

Nelson Hagnauer, Chairman
Madison County Board

Briefly

Diabetes class offered

If you are a diabetic, you are far from being alone, according to Kathy Haarmann, RN, BSN and certified diabetes educator.

"There is no cure for diabetes, but there is a lot of information available that can help diabetics lead full lives and avoid further complications," she said.

Haarmann, the patient education coordinator at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, will be part of the teaching team in a free *Take Charge of Your Diabetes* class offered at SEMC.

The class will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, in the Milazzo Room on the lower level of SEMC, 2100 Madison Ave., in Granite City.

The class is free, but space is limited. Preregistration is required. For more information or to preregister, call the SEMC Education Resources Department at 798-3201.

Leprechaun dance on Friday

The Granite City Park District will sponsor the annual St. Patrick's Day Leprechaun Dance, Friday, March 17, at the Hildreth Brown Recreation Center, Franklin and Amos avenues. The dance will be from 9 p.m.

All senior citizens are invited to bring a friend or two and come and dance to Mc Berk's "Variety Men." Everyone should try to wear something green. Soda and popcorn will be provided and prizes will be awarded throughout the evening.

There is no admission charge. The band and refreshments are provided by the Granite City Park District.

If there are any questions regarding the dance, please contact the Wilson Park office at 877-3099.

Pre-school registration slated

Little Lamb Preschool will hold its annual registration for the 1995-96 sessions, March 15 from 9:30 a.m. to noon in the basement of Hope Lutheran Church. A \$10 registration fee is required.

The tuition for the fall term will be \$32 per month for a child who attends twice a week and \$48 per month for those who attend three times a week.

A child must be three years old by Sept. 1 to be in the three-year old class and must be four years old by Sept. 1 to attend the four-year-old class, according to Sarah Repp, director.

Little Lamb Preschool admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 3715 Wabash Ave., in Granite City. The telephone number is 876-4132.

Bi-State official leads program

Patrick Cooney, director of personnel for Bi-State Development Agency, will conduct a Student Leadership Development Program (SLDP) module at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on Tuesday, March 14, about human relations.

SLDP modules are scheduled Tuesdays during academic sessions at 2:30 and 7 p.m. in the Mississippi-Illinois Room of SIUE's University Center.

Cooney's module, "Human Relations," is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. At 7 that evening, Gary Swalley, an award-winning teacher at Edwardsville Junior High School (EJHS), will conduct a module about "Motivating Others."

Now in its eighth year on the SIUE campus, the SLDP has two components, which offer discussion with university faculty and officials, and community leaders, and a unique and community service component, which is largely service-oriented.

Those who complete 60 hours in the program, with 30 hours of that total toward community service, will receive an SLDP transcript for presentation to potential employers.

Cooney has been with Bi-State since last March.

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IDOT hears 159 concerns

By Scott Wuerz
Staff writer

Local officials hope a meeting held with leadership of the Illinois Department of Transportation will put improvement of Highway 159 a little bit higher on the state's list of priorities.

Officials hope to see the highway widened from two to five lanes, including a turn lane, over an 8.86-mile stretch in the Metro East.

Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur has tried for several weeks to organize the leaders of communities located along 159 from Swansea in the south to Edwardsville in the north after a public hearing was held in Collinsville in the fall to gauge public support for the project.

The groups all came together as Niebur, and leaders from virtually all of the highway's border communities, state Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, and state Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, were at the meeting to IDOT officials that support for the project is overwhelming.

"We wanted to put forth the best effort we could to stress the importance of this project to the people of municipalities along Highway 159," Niebur said. "Improvement of the highway is not only vital because of traffic reasons, but for safety reasons as well."

Maryville Police Chief Don Sonnenberg and village administrative assistant Thomas Whitehair and Swansea Mayor Mike Buehler were also represented at the meeting.

Niebur said the group hand-delivered resolutions passed by involved municipalities in support of the project, as well as resolutions passed by the Madison and St. Clair County boards and a resolution of support from the Madison County Home Builders Association.

And the group made a presentation to State Secretary of Transportation, Kirk Brown.

Students lament move of Parks

By Mike Viola
Staff writer

While most Parks College students wanted to stay in Cahokia, they acknowledged that a move to St. Louis had been anticipated for several years.

"You would see the writing on the wall. Most people felt like we were being ignored over here for the past couple of years," said one student.

In January, several hundred Parks students held a rally to show support for keeping the college in Cahokia. But in a meeting of students and administrators in February, St. Louis University officials announced to students that a move was imminent.

Diego Bocca, a graduate student at Parks, said during that meeting that a move to St. Louis would make Parks just another branch of a large college instead of the unique atmosphere on the Cahokia campus where nearly everyone shares the same interests.

Cooper made similar observations on Monday, saying that the students in Cahokia consider themselves students of Parks College and not St. Louis University.

He added that students are concerned that they will be consumed by the 15,000 students on campus when about 8,000 students take classes.

Tareq Al-Hosani, a junior at Parks from the United Arab Emirates, said he was also concerned about losing the unique student population that exists at the smaller campus.

Plans for the move are from throughout the world. Of its 750 present students, about 120 come from foreign countries.

After the move to St. Louis, the international flavor of the student body will be diluted by the thousands of SLU students.

However Al-Hosani said he is looking forward to the move to St. Louis, noting that it will allow for use of better buildings, cafeterias, gymnasiums and other facilities.

"I think the best thing will be that it will allow for a lot more flexibility with our schedules," Al-Hosani said.



Frontline appears at City Temple today.

Frontline at City Temple today

Frontline, a musical group representing Evangel College and Revivaltime, will appear in concert at City Temple, 4751 Maryville Road, on Sunday. The Rev. Mark McDaniel, pastor, said the special service will be at 10 a.m. and is open to the public.

Frontline is featured on Revivaltime — radio voice of the Assemblies of God. Members of the group are from Evangel College, an Assemblies of God school in Springfield, Mo.

In the concert, the band, which will present a gospel music program featuring a tight-harmonized vocal section, an electric rhythm section and a warm brass section.

Frontline's director, Nate Carter, who holds a B.A. in sacred music and a B.M. in Bible from Central Bible College in Springfield, is an accomplished multi-instrumental and producer. Carter has served on staff at Central Bible College, American Artists (sound recording studios and Bellevue (Nebraska) Assembly of God.

His work has been published by Melody Music Gospel Publishing House (Springfield), Homeland Publishing (Nashville) and Word Inc. (Texas).

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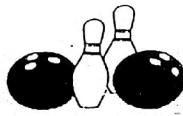
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IP puts innovations to the test

Illinois Power has begun pilot programs for the first of more than 12 customer service innovations company planners predict will lead to improved service and cost savings.

The pilots, which include such innovations as 24-hour bill paying locations and offices on wheels, are part of a study of statewide customer service operations that began in June. The pilots will be conducted in selected areas of Illinois Power's 15,000-square-mile territory throughout 1995.

"We are improving our customer contact organization by following a solid principle: putting our resources where the work is," said Paul L. Lang, senior vice president for customer service.

If successful companywide, the innovations are expected to affect a wide variety of customer service issues, such as shortening the length of time, reducing time spent "idle time" when customers call IP and decreasing the time streets are blocked for utility repairs.

The proposals, which will affect utility operations, customers do not usually see — standardizing designs for subdivision electrical and gas systems, including ways of installing, and faster, less expensive ways to replace overhead power lines.

Among proposals under study is the creation of a network of regional managers and customer relations managers to work directly with customers in communities across IP's service area.

Also to be examined is shifting some "front office" business activities currently handled in local IP offices to a central office in Chicago. These would include functions such as requests for service connections, general customer inquiries, credit arrangements and billing.

Most technical service

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Kevin G. Nicol and Associates Inc. employees, from left, back row, attorney Stephen J. Doroghazi Jr. of Granite City/St. Louis, Roy Gérasom of O'Fallon, Randall Burch of St. Charles, Mo., executive committee member Bruce H. Linker of Weldon Spring, Mo., Donald Fisher of Belleville and executive committee member David O. Hollingsworth of St. Louis; front row, executive committee member Donald H. M. Currie of St. Louis, president Kevin G. Nicol of Granite City and executive committee member Gerald E. Bradley of Edwardsville.

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Presenting Kevin Franko, second from right, his award are, from left, Bob Martin, Briggs & Stratton Corp. district service supervisor; Don Miley, Briggs & Stratton sales and service manager; and Steve White, Diamond Engine Sales.

Franko receives master designation

Milwaukee-based Briggs & Stratton Corporation has announced that Kevin Franko has recently taken and passed the master service technician exam.

This achievement makes Franko, who works for Franko Small Engine, 5225 Old Alton Road, one of 500 engine technicians in North America to have achieved master service technician status.

The master service technician exam is one of a candidate's ability to efficiently service any Briggs & Stratton product. It is intended to recognize only those industry professionals exhibiting superior skills in all phases of product service and support.

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The MST is open to any technician in the air-cooled gasoline engine industry.

In addition to Franko passing the master service technician exam, Briggs & Stratton invited sales people from distributors to nominate outstanding dealers from their area. Steve White, territory manager, nominated Franko Small Engine for master sales and service dealer.

After the nominations were in, Don Miley, district sales and service manager for Briggs & Stratton, was sent down to inspect dealers that were nominated.

On Feb. 21, Franko was presented with an award for master sales and service dealership. Paul Schaeffer, territory manager; Don Miley, district sales and service manager for Briggs & Stratton, and Robert Franko, owner of Franko Small Engine, were present.

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BUSINESS

Health network names director

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Unity Health Network recently named John F. Levenick director of managed care contracting.

The network is made up of St. Anthony's Medical Center, St. John's Mercy Medical Center, and St. Luke's Episcopal-Presbyterian Hospital in Missouri and St. Anthony's Health Center, St. Elizabeth Medical Center and St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Illinois.

Levenick most recently served as director of managed care for St. John's Mercy Medical Center. He previously worked as a managed care analyst for the SSM Health Care System.

Levenick earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse and a bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University.

Levenick lives in Crestwood, Mo., with his wife, Jo, and three children.



Levenick

Illinois Power currently operates 18 areas and 10 district offices covering 310 incorporated municipalities in Illinois.

The utility said the proposed changes is to remove layers of management, make work more efficient, improve service and maintain a strong community presence," Lang said. "We want to do these things and at the same time lower costs."

The pilot programs involve 10 districts, stations in territories across the state, who work with customers on issues that are best handled through personal contact.

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The interior of Fleetwood's 1995 Pace Arrow has been completely redesigned with three all-new residential decor choices featuring light oak or rich cherry cabinetry.

RV Show is biggest ever in St. Louis

The RV Camping & Travel Show, scheduled this week in Cervantes at America's Center, has been named one of the largest dealer shows in the U.S.A.

The Show is presented annually by the 17 members of The Midwestern RV & Travel Vehicle Dealers Association and sponsored this year by AAA Auto Club Missouri and NAPA Auto Parts.

The Show will be the biggest RV show ever in St. Louis. Nearly 230,000-square feet of space will be filled with 400 RVs and various exhibitors. The theme this year is "RVs For Everyone!"

Dealer Association president and show chairman, Bob Free, of Loveland RVs in St. Peters, says that he thinks it's a good idea because people will definitely be able to find an RV that is right for their lifestyle.

"We are seeing a big increase in interest from younger people in the RV industry," he said. "We will have a great mix of entry-level vehicles for the first-time RVers at the Show, plus the big, luxurious motorhomes for the experienced full-timers."

Pop-up campers, travel trailers, fifth-wheels, Class A motorhomes, mini-motorhomes, van conversions and more will be on display and for sale.

According to a study by the RV Industry Association, there are more than 9 million RVs on the road. The average RV owner is 49 years-old, one-half income is under \$40,000, buys in order to travel and camp and is overwhelmingly pleased.

The dealers participating this year are Apache Village, Behrman Van Pontiac GMC, Bouni RV Center, Bixley Trailer, Colman's, Community RV, Cozy Sales, E & L RV Sales & Service, Vern Griffon's Trailer Sales, Harney's RV Center, Howard Motor Homes, Inc., Kell Thomas Camper Sales, K.M.B. Thomas RV Sales, Maple Leaf RV, McAteer's RV and Valley City Sales. A collection of representatives will also be on hand to answer questions about the many brands featured by dealers at the show.

RV Show best ticket for family entertainment

In addition to 400 of the latest in recreational vehicles, the 18th annual RV Camping & Travel Show will feature a quality line-up with live Branson entertainment and other acts.

The entertainment is included with the price of admission. Adults are \$7 at the door (\$2 discount coupons available at NAPA Auto Parts Stores), ages 9 to 12 are \$2.50 and under, admitted free. Doors open at noon every day.

Thursday

• 7:30 p.m. Branson's Denny Yearly Show. Denny has sung with major theaters in Branson for the past six years. His show features classic pop and country tunes, and a little bit of show. He'll be joined in St. Louis by the Kathy Westmoreland, who has sung with Elvis Presley, and accomplished Branson backup musicians.

• 4:15 and 6 p.m. Guy Selbert and Maryann Hamer. This duo has performed their "Our The River" show around the country and in numerous public performances. They feature songs of the 1800s and early 1900s, while mixing in tales of the river.

• 5:15 and 7 p.m. The Southwest Illinois Association of Square and Round Dance Clubs. Dance demonstrations by this group promote the fun of square dancing (also Saturday at 1:15 p.m.).

• 5:30 p.m. Boot Kicker International. This show features today's country dance steps in demonstrations by some of the top dancers in this organization.

• 6:30 p.m. Sunday Family Day.

• 1:30 p.m. Bob Kramer's Mario-nettes.

Friday
As a special St. Patrick's Day observance, two of St. Louis' foremost Irish organizations will perform Irish songs and dances.

• 7:30 p.m. Louis Irish Arts School

• 6:45 p.m. Lavin Cassidy School of Irish Dancers

• 3:30 and 8 p.m. The Blackwood Family. One of America's foremost singing families and winners of eight Grammmy Awards, the legendary Blackwood sisters feature the harmony sounds of country and gospel.

The Blackwood Quartet will be joined by the Blackwood Sisters, daughters of Bill Blackwood.

They range in age from 6 to 12. • 5:30 p.m. Branson's Denny Yearly Show (see Thursday).

Saturday

• 3:30, 5:30 and 8 p.m. Campbell's Ozark County Jubilee. For years, the jubilee has been one of the best shows in the Ozarks. Variety, talent, humor and songs featuring country and gospel functions and in numerous public performances. They feature songs of the 1800s and early 1900s, while mixing in tales of the river.

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Denny Yearly Show and Kathy Westmoreland, who has sung with Elvis Presley, will perform at 3 and 8 p.m. Thursday.

• 2:30 p.m. Magic by Apperson. • 3:30 p.m. The Boomers. Musical "golden oldies" by this talented group have long been one of Central Illinois' most popular bands. St. Louis favorite oldies radio station, KLOU-103, will also be on hand with trivia questions and registering people to win a family vacation to the Inn at Grand Glaize, in Osage Beach, Mo.



Bill Graves
Writer, *Trailer Life Magazine*

Columnist travels for a living and loves it

Writer Bill Graves roams the West in a motorhome and writes about life on the backroads and in smalltown America.

A retired naval officer, he spent a month as a guest as a travel writer in the mid-80s, but soon tired of tourist spots and crowds. Now, his articles accent the odd and unusual, appearing in travel guides and magazines throughout the country. He authors a month column, "America's Outback," for *Trailer Life* magazine, the nation's largest RV publication.

Meeting new people and seeing unheralded parts of the country are what make Graves' travels

special to him and unique to his readers. He journeys alone in a large motorhome and spends as much as a week in town to get an understanding of what makes it different.

"You can't get to know people in a town looking at them through a windshield," he said.

So Graves, a 60-year-old person, will give me a ride to see something that perhaps only they know about.

He claims his trips now normally last with a rough itinerary, but never a schedule.

"My curiosity fills in the calendar as I go," he says.

His schedule will be a full one

in St. Louis, however, as he will give several seminars on RV travel at the RV Camping & Travel Show and talk to radio stations for interviews.

His focus here, though, will be on the people of the area.

"I want to meet a lot of people and gather information for future stories in this part of the Midwest, the backroads, the small towns and the people living there," he said.

Graves' seminars are scheduled at 2 and 4 p.m. Thursday, March 16; 4:30 and 7:15 p.m. Friday, March 17; 1 and 4:30 p.m., Saturday, March 18.

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pictured right: The Blackwoods, award winning Country-Gospel singers from Branson, featured on Friday.

THURSDAY

3:00pm - Branson's Denny Yearly Show
4:15pm - Guy Selbert & Maryann Hamer
5:15pm - The Southwestern Illinois Assn. of Square & Round Dance Clubs
6:00pm - Guy Selbert & Maryann Hamer
7:00pm - The Southwestern Illinois Assn. of Square & Round Dance Clubs
8:00pm - Branson's Denny Yearly Show

FRIDAY

2:15pm - Music & Dance by St. Louis Irish Arts
3:30pm - The Blackwood Family, from Branson
5:30pm - Branson's Denny Yearly Show
6:45pm - Lavin Cassidy School of Irish Dancers
8:00pm - The Blackwood Family, from Branson

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SUNDAY

1:30pm - Bob Kramer's Marionettes

2:30pm - Magic by Apperson

3:30pm - KLOU-103 FM hosts trivia & "golden oldies" by The Boomers

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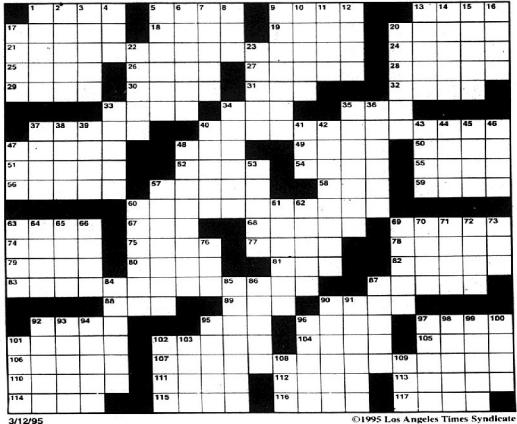
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Viennese Ball at SIUE April 1

The Friends of Music, a support organization for the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville department of music, will host the seventh annual Viennese Ball on the SIUE campus Saturday, April 1. Deadline for reservations is March 15.

The Viennese Ball, which offers an elegant evening of dining, desserts, and dancing, is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 1, in the SIUE University Center. The guest of honor this year is SIU Chancellor James Brown. Proceeds will benefit the SIUE music department. According to eclectics, several musical styles will be offered throughout the evening, as well as an 8 p.m. buffet-style dinner of Viennese delights.

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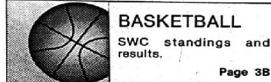
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Team wrestling format in doubt

The way I see it, the Illinois High School Association crossed its team wrestling format goodbye on Feb. 27 when it canceled the Class AA state team tournament due to Chicago's Mt. Carmel.

Who would want to enter a team in the tournament the way this mess was handled?

SCHEDULED AFTER the individual titles are claimed at Champaign, the team events lead from regional to sectional to state. The team format concept was a good one since it represented a true team title instead of the points that a few individuals might rack up in the state.

However, Mt. Carmel threw a wrench in the best-laid plans when it beat the IHSA to court after the association suspended the Chicago school's team for entering five regular-season tournaments — one more than the limit.

Locally, Granite City was hit the hardest by not only the cancellation, but by a Feb. 21 suspended sectional at Granite City High School. The teams from Collinsville, Mount Vernon and Chatham Glenwood also were to compete for the right to advance to the state team finals.

WHO CAN BLAME Warriors coach Mike Garland for saying: "When I saw a ruling made, I went to call the IHSA. I'll call Mt. Carmel."

Ranked No. 1 in the final state Class AA rankings, Granite City had its best medal count in school history in a regional meet at Champaign. Following champion T.J. Slay at 130 pounds were Tony Buchek, second at 126; Brian Janek, fourth at 112; and Chris Janek, sixth at heavyweight.

Garland's words stood in stark contrast to Mt. Carmel coach Bill Weick, who had led that school to three consecutive state team titles.

"I told Mt. Carmel coach," Weick said. "We put a schedule out, and everything we do is in the newspaper."

"That's another way of admitting guilt, but not wanting to accept the blame."

"NO MATTER HOW you look at it, Mt. Carmel violated the rules," said Bill Matzker, veteran O'Fallon High wrestling coach. "It's the same rule that applies to them as well as any other team in the state."

Yet, there's the hangup. While five surpasses four, and while Mt. Carmel claimed to entering a junior varsity team, one of its five coaches, a assistant coach, was enough to freeze the regional round of the state team tourney.

When an appeals court did not overrule Mt. Carmel's claim and the Supreme Court took a hands-off approach, H. David Fry, the IHSA Executive Director, said, "Schools or athletes can violate rules without penalty, then the rules become meaningless," Fry said.

THESE ARE SCARY words for anyone involved with high school sports, since it has long been mentioned here that some have to hire the right attorneys, get an injunction and challenge the state association.

It almost happened for Mt. Carmel, but in that lawyers argued other wrestling teams had violated the same rule. Still, I'm with Matzker here in that any team which violated the rule should be held responsible.

The problem is that Mt. Carmel was not just any team. They were the defending champions, ranked as high as No. 3 in the country, and, of course, from Chicago.

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Tigers top Taylorville, capture sectional title

By Greg Shashack

Staff Writer

Chris Wright sat quietly in a corner of the Vadalabene Center locker room, his elbow in ice and a nasty gash still bleeding through the bandage above his left eye.

And the Edwardsville senior never felt

WRIGHT AND HIS Tigers teammates celebrated their second sectional championship in the past three seasons Friday night after holding off the Taylorville Tornadoes 34-28 in the game of the Collinsville Class AA Sectional on the campus of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

"We've all worked hard for a long time to get here," said Wright, who won a key reserve as a sophomore on the Tigers' Elite Eight team in '93. "This is a nice

reward for that work."

The Tigers ended their record to 32-4 and with a 26-1 conference in Tuesday's Carbondale Super-Sectional at SIU Arena. The Orphans beat Highland 85-74 Friday to win the Salem Sectional.

Edwardsville trailed by as many as seven points in the first half, led by as many as 11 points (52-41) in the second half. But the game was in doubt until Bu Lynks' 3-point attempt rimmed out with two seconds left.

"IT'S THE perfect angle," said Edwardsville's Chico Brown, who hauled down 10 rebounds. "I seemed like everybody had the ball and everything turned to slow motion."

A crowd of more than 3,500 then hauled a Tigers celebration that included an inadvertent head-butt to Wright that would later send him to the hospital for stitches.

Wright, a 6-6 forward, teamed with the 6-7, 239-pound Brown to inflict much of the damage on the Tornadoes. Wright hit 10 of 12 field goals and scored 14 points. Brown was nine of 12 from the field and finished with 23 points and 18 rebounds.

TAYLORVILLE LED 34-28 with less than three minutes left in the first half, only to see the Tigers score seven unanswered points to take a 33-34 lead at half-time.

I thought that was the turning point of the ballgame," said Taylorville coach Mark Stephenson.

With the lead, the Tigers opened the second half in the four-corners offense. With Brown and Wright causing the Tornadoes much grief in the low post, the Tigers grabbed a 49-41 lead after three quarters.

The Tigers went to the four-corners 16 times in the second half. They scored on

10 of those possessions, turned the ball over on five possessions and missed a shot on the other.

"I thought we did a good job with the ball," Stephenson said. "I think we had some problems. We turned it over a few more times than we would have liked. But overall, I think we did a good job of creating the matchups we wanted."

SOPHOMORE JIM Dougherty, who finished with 10 points, hit a 3-pointer to end the fourth quarter, but Taylorville rallied. Brown and David Woods both hit both ends of one-and-one opportunities in the final 1:16 to stave off the Tornadoes.

Deb Giam scored 11 points and Joe Novak finished with 13 to lead the ninth-Tornadoes, who saw their season end at 14-14 after knocking off top-seeded Collinsville and No. 5 seed Belleville East in postseason play.

East All-Stars show 'em up

Illinois senior grapplers edge Missouri squad 27-19

By Tony Panozzo

Staff writer

Wrestling season returned for one last look Thursday night as members of the Illinois All-Metro team outgamed their counterparts from Missouri State 27-19 in the 18th annual East-West All-Star Metro Classic at Meramec Community College.

In a match pitting the top seven senior wrestlers from each river, four Granite City wrestlers helped lead the Illinois squad to a victory over Missouri for the second straight year.

SCHROEDER 135-pounder Brian Schroeder, who had a 20-0 record, five straight wins, and the Illinois squad held off a team of St. Louis-area seniors with a final-round victory, could spoil the Illinois squad's victory for the second straight year.

Senior 135-pounder Brian Schroeder (left) posted a victory at 135 pounds in Thursday's East-West All-Star Metro Classic.

WITH ILLINOIS ahead 21-19, Slay took the mat for the first time since competing in the individual state tournament on Feb. 18, nearly a month ago. The All-Star meet gave the seniors another opportunity to wrestle after the season ended

ILLINOIS ALL-METRO 27, Missouri 19
1. Scott Masin (Parkway West) def. Jake Lepinski (Hazelwood East), 6-4, 119
2. Brian Schatzman (Parkway Central) def. Tim Fulkerson (GCHS), 11-2
3. Jake Lepinski (Hazelwood East) def. Jason Johnson (Wentzville), 10-9
4. Brian Schatzman (Parkway Central) def. Jake Lepinski (Hazelwood East), 10-9
5. Brian Schatzman (Parkway Central) def. Tim Hunter (GCHS), 15-8
6. Austin Roberts (Cahokia) def. Jason Johnson (Wentzville), 10-9
7. Tim Fulkerson (GCHS) def. Jason Johnson (Wentzville), 10-9
8. Brian Schatzman (Parkway Central) def. Dustin Dillman (Franklin Hills North), 10-7
9. Mike Greenfield (Albion Harold McElroy), 12-12
10. Tony Slay (Granite City), 6-5

— Kevin Slay (Francis Howell) def. James Johnson (CM), 10-9
11. Brian Schatzman (Parkway Central) def. Tony Slay (East St. Louis Lincoln), pinned Steve McGrail (Lafayette), 23.

"We could have beat them worse," said Granite City 112-pounder Tim Fulkerson, who defeated Hazelwood East's Jake Lepinski. "I think we just stuck (McGrail), that was great."

"It feels real good," Schooley said. "Illinois is the best around here."

SCHOOLEY, FULKERSON, Slay and 171-pounder Tony Buchek took the mat for the first time since competing in the individual state tournament on Feb. 18, nearly a month ago. The All-Star meet gave the seniors another opportunity to wrestle after the season ended

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T.J. Slay, Granite City's 130-pound state champion this season, suffered his first loss in over a year Thursday when he fell to four-time state champion Scott Schatzman of Parkway Central.

SIUE sectional a success

By Steve Porter

Staff writer

You might have thought it was student orientation night at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

For sure, SIUE had the welcome mat out this week for curious visitors. An Illinois High School Association Class A boys basketball sectional was playing at the Vadalabene Center, so SIUE put on the welcome.

"I DON'T THINK you can pay for the exposure through marketing that you can get for having something like this here," SIUE men's basketball coach Jack McDevitt said. "We're really proud of that, and this is a plus for us."

The 4,000-seat Vadalabene Center played host to the four-team sectional this week. The winner heads to Tuesday's Carbondale Super-Sectional at the 10,000-seat SIU Arena.

Tuesday's game between Belleville East and Taylorville marked the first prep postseason game for the 10-year-old gymnasium. It was the first time high school teams had played at SIUE since the 1989 Superfans Shootout.

More than 1,600 fans saw Taylorville shade Belleville East 59-58 and advance to the championship game against Edwardsville.

"IT'S GOING to be a windfall for us since lots of high school students will be on our campus for the first time," said SIUE's Brad Hewitt, an assistant to the vice president. Hewitt is helping coordinate this week's activities.

"We've received plenty of cooperation from area high school athletic directors, and we want to accommodate their wishes."

SIUE agreed to hold an IHSA sectional on a one-year trial basis. If the initial meetings work well, the Vadalabene Center could serve as a permanent site.

Sectional finals the past four years have been at Collinsville and Edwardsville high schools, but area coaches sought a neutral court. SIUE satisfied that need.

"WE HOPE TO keep it (the sectional) for years to come," said Margenthaler, formerly the head coach at Western Illinois (See SIUE, Page 3B).

Briggs back on track with Warriors

By Andy Fales

Correspondent

As the spring season begins for the Granite City track team, 1995 should be especially fresh for the Warriors as they introduce new head coach Gene Briggs.

While Briggs takes over the reins from former coach Dave McClain, the Warriors' new coach has a solid track record. A native of Granite City, Briggs graduated from GCHS in 1971 and went on to coach the highly successful girls track program at Madison High School.

BRIGGS COACHED several state champions and numerous state place winners at Madison. The problem is that Mt. Carmel was not just any team. They were the defending champions, ranked as high as No. 3 in the country, and, of course, from Chicago.

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Officials of the Prairie State Games have announced a list of local citizen politicians and business leaders that will serve on its board of governors. U.S. congressmen Jerry Costello and Richard Durbin spearheaded the effort to make the board of governors as representative as possible.

Members of the board include: — John Barcic, chairman (retired) Mayne Bank, St. Clair County Board.

— Dr. Nancy Belick, president, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

— Tom Graham, regional VP, First Financial Bank.

— Bishop Wilton Gregory, Bishop.

While he last coached track in 1983, Briggs has remained in the coaching spectrum as an assistant coach at Collinsville High.

Outside endeavors aside, Briggs is enjoying his homecoming as an assistant coach at Vadalabene.

"It's nice to come back and the school has really been helpful to me," he said. "It gives me the chance to move on to a much larger school with a deeper enrollment from which to draw athletes. The transition from a track and field program will be a challenge. Nonetheless, Briggs is ready.

"I don't think of this as a rebuilding effort," Briggs said. "The kids are going to be in

charge of setting their own pace. If they dedicate themselves to these events and work hard, I predict they'll do well and I'll call my debut a successful one."

LOOKING OVER his past success, Briggs gives credit to the vast number of coaches he has worked with.

"My coaching style and knowledge have been influenced a lot by the coaches I have worked for and worked with in the past," Briggs said. "There have been too many to list but I've drawn from each of them."

"On my own, I think I'm a coach who is fair and consistent on the things I ask for from my athletes. I believe that can guide them at first, but then (See TRACK, Page 3B)



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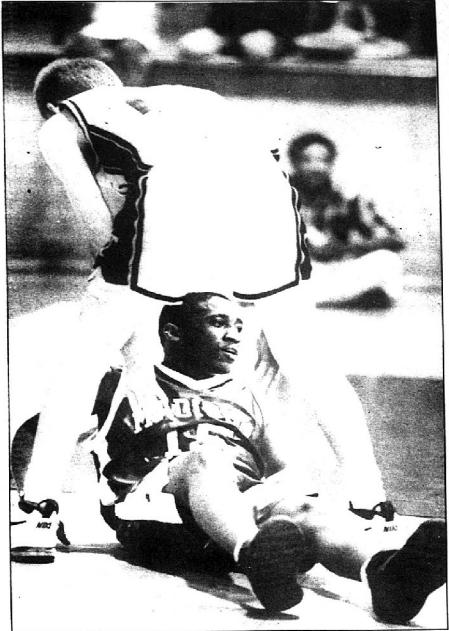
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1. Granite City (1).....69
2. Hazelwood East (2).....56
3. St. Charles West (3).....56
4. Francis Howell (4).....48
5. Wentzville (5).....42
6. O'Fallon (6).....39
7. O'Fallon (7).....20
8. McCluer North (8).....14
9. Althoff (9).....13
10. Lafayette (10).....11

Also receiving votes, in order: Patonville, Belleville East, Vianney, DeSmet, Fox. Number in parentheses indicates last week's ranking.

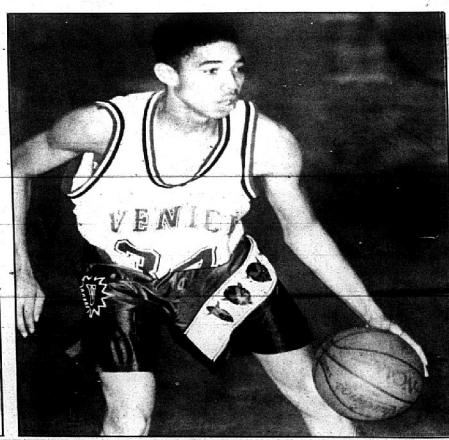
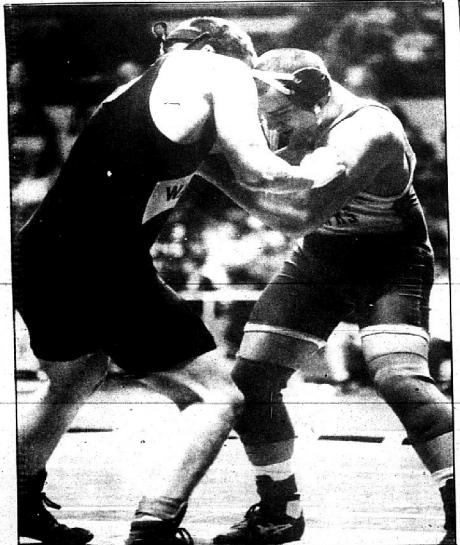
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Clockwise, from below

— GCHS wrestler John Selliers, a junior, works on defeating Johnston's Jason Guida 14-4 in last month's Illinois Class AA individual state tournament. Warrior basketball coach John Van Buskirk greets sophomore Ray Smith and senior Wayne Myers during a break. Lady Warrior junior Denise McMillan gets the ball under control. Venice senior Keita Kennedy looks for an opening. Lady Warrior junior Jennifer Willis (left) and senior Joanna Groboski (right) work for position. Warrior sophomore Kyle Briggs eludes Collinsville's Andy McFall.



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with the Illinois Association's decision the remainder of the tournament season.

Wrestler John Selliers appeared to be the favorite to win the tournament berths.

"It's been a while since I've been in Champaign. It's been a long time since I've been motivated."

"I went out and I could have had it, but I was going to win. The time I step on the mat, I step on the Granite City wrestling mat. I was kind of at state. Buchek wanted to go out there."

In one of the most matches of the night, GCHS' Aaron Reeves worked the puck behind the net. Venice High sophomore guard Ron Taylor drives with the ball. Madison junior guard Milan Jones gets a lift from Freeburg's Nick Lange in the Trojans' season-ending loss to the Midgets at the Dupo Regional on Feb. 23. GCHS junior wrestler Jeff Estrada wraps up an opponent.

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with the Illinois High School Association's decision to cancel the remainder of the state dual-tournament series.

Wrestlers from both teams appeared to be far from the shape that led most to state tournament berths last month. Fulkerson, who was 11th in Fulkerson, who placed fourth at state in Champaign. "It's hard to stay motivated."

"I went out and did the best I could, but it's not mind that I was going to win. This is the last time I step on the mat as a Granite City wrestler."

"It was kind of like wrestling at home," Buchek said. "I just wanted to go out and wrestle tough."

In one of the most exciting matches of the night, Buchek and Colegrove of St. Charles West. Buchek entered the match 44-3 after placing second at state, while Colegrove was 36-0 with a Missouri state title.

Buchek scored a reverse with 21 seconds left to tie the match 6-6. But Colegrove reversed Buchek and won the final 10 seconds for the win.

"He was tough," Buchek said. "I really thought I should have beat him. I beat him my sophomore year so I might have been a little cocky."

"They had a great match," Illinois coach Gary Oxford said.

"It was whoever was going to get the last reversal," Oxford said.

Oxford, a Granite City resident and former head coach at Hazelwood Central, helped guide the Illinois wrestlers to the win. The squad was organized by Granite City Wrestling Club coach Allen Kirgan.

"Coach Kirgan organized the team and just stepped back and let all the kids do the work," Oxford said. "I tried to keep them focused a little bit."

"We won more of the close matches than I would have expected in the last match," Oxford said. Illinois won eight of 13 matches and six of the final eight after 103-pounder Scott Masin of Parkway Central North won at 132.

After Colegrove, Mike Greenfield edged McCluer's Albert Harrold 13-12.

After Colegrove got past Buchek, Belleville's Kevin Stroh defeated Civic Memorial's Jerey Christeson 10-4. But Yates clinched the victory with just the second win.

It was the second straight win for Illinois after a five-year string of Missouri victories.

Fulkerson scored a decisive takedown in the third period to knock off Lapinski. Fulkerson said it was his first meeting with Lapinski since their freshman year, when Fulkerson won 17-10.



Fulkerson



Buchek

"I knew he was going to be tough," Fulkerson said. "I went out and did the best I could."

The teams split the next two matches, with Roxana's Jason Hayden defeating Parkway Central's Steve Jensen 11-3, 11-19. Oakville's Cedric Brooks defeating Collinsville's Mike Delisle by fall in 3:36 at 125.

The showdown between Stay and Schooley got off to a slow start with 10-8 victory. And the Parkway Central senior proved his stock with his 41st victory this season. Schatzman, four-time state champion, finished his season with 11-18. Stay suffered his first loss of the year after going 43-0 as a senior.

"T.J. ran into a good wrestler," Buchek said. "All season, he's wanted to wrestle for the win."

Schooley got Illinois back on track with a 10-8 victory. Hazelwood's Eric Larame Shields, a two-time state qualifier, posted four takedowns along the way. Shields placed second at state this season.

He didn't want to let his team down, Schooley said. "I didn't want to make any mistakes. If I was in better shape, I would have done better. We only worked out this week."

After Martin Banks of Springfield Southeast defeated CBC's Tim Hunter 14-8 at 140, Cahokia's Audre Roberts and Titus Tandy of Alton tied at 132.

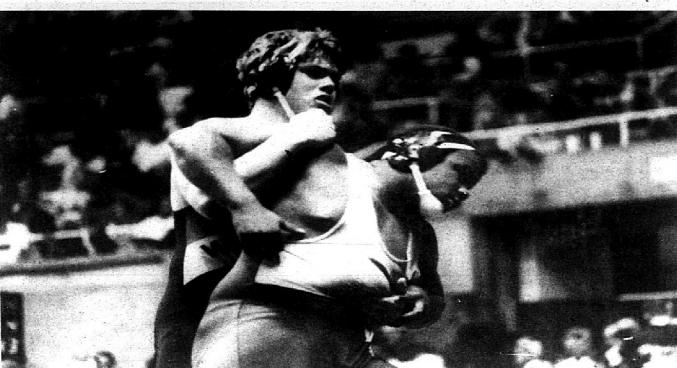
Roberts downed Wentzville's Jason Johnson 8-3 at 145, and Taylor outlasted Dustin Dillon of Francis Howell North 10-9 at 152.

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(Photo by MARK VON BROCK)

Granite City junior heavyweight Chris Janek ties up Phil James of Belleville East during last month's Illinois individual state tournament.

•Track

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they're the ones who must put in the time.

Briggs is hesitant to point out the Warriors' strong or weak points. Briggs got his first chance to evaluate the team Saturday at the Warriors' trip to the Southern Illinois University-Carbondale and opened the season with an indoor meet.

"The coaches are doing a good job and the assistant coaches to judge our athletes to watch them compete in actual meets against other schools," Briggs said. "Briggs said, "I'm not sure if they both have a great work ethic and their accomplishments show it," Briggs said. "They set good examples for the others to much so that."

"I do know that I've got some hard workers, many of whom have been involved in various sports this past fall and winter and are already in good shape. I also have a few returning athletes from last year's team who are really to pick up where they left off."

Two strong performers from last year are returning: returning senior sprinter Leslie Pasterby and sophomore discus thrower

Stephanie Brandt. Both qualified for last year's state meet and look to serve as inspirational leaders for this year's team.

As a freshman, Brandt won a section title in the discus and placed second at state. Penberthy qualified for state in the 200-meter dash but did not place.

"Leslie and Stephanie work hard every day in practice, they both have a great work ethic and their accomplishments show it," Briggs said. "They set good examples for the others to much so that."

Briggs will be assisted by seven coaches this season. Greg Garland will coach the sprinters and jumpers, and Jim Harsh and Tom Haefner will work with the middle and long distance runners.

Larry Curry will coach athletes competing in the weight events.

"Having coaches specialize in separate events should keep us from spreading ourselves too thin," Briggs said. "It helps when no one tries to do too much. We're off to a good start so far, but only time will tell."

•Games

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Joe Millard, president and CEO, Mark Twain Bank

— Barb Rautenberg, executive director, Southwestern Illinois Tourism.

— Joe Wiley, human resources VP, Monsanto

— Tom Harrel, president, Bank of Edwardsville

The Prairie State Games, an annual statewide multi-sports relativly amateur competition in Illinois, will be held July 21-23 in facilities provided by Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Belleville Area College, the city of Alton, Collinsville and seven other venues in Madison and St. Clair counties.

Kickoff dinner and sports auction will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, at the court at St. Clair Square. The games are sponsored by the Illinois Health & Physical Fitness Foundation and are a member of the National Congress of State Games and U.S. Olympic Committee. For more information, 632-1002.

Warrior hockey

	G	A	P
Jason Crites	22	31	52
Mike Wilson	25	31	52
Aaron Reeves	17	14	31
Mikal Cutley	12	15	25
Chris Hattie	8	11	25
Chris Angle	8	13	21
Chris Hattie	6	11	18
Bob Proctor	5	13	18
Clint Phelps	5	13	18
Steve Sande	4	12	15
John Nappier	10	12	25
Brian Johnson	3	12	15
Bryan Loftus	7	5	12
Robbie Slater	3	7	12
Aaron Meyer	3	7	12
Ryan Penrod	5	8	11
David Schaefer	2	7	10
Travis Scroggins	1	4	5
Goals			
John Nappier (10-3-2)	40	goals allowed.	
2.67 GAA			
Robbie Slater (10-1-2)	26	goals allowed.	
2.00 GAA			

•SIUE

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University, WIU annually serves as the home site for an IHSA Class A boys super-sectional. West Pike beat Carrollton on Tuesday, March 14.

"It worked well there, and we're hoping the same thing happens here," Margenthaler said. "We want to make this sectionals the best one we possibly can. The people who judge that will be the ones who come here."

SIUE has been more aggressively lately in pursuing local sports events. The university played a pivotal part in the success of last summer's U.S. Olympic trials. SIUE has also played host to IHSA sectionals and super-sectional soccer action last fall.

Southwestern Conference		
	League	Overall
Team	W	L
Collinsville	10	0
Belleville East	6	4
Alton	5	11
Belleville West	4	6
East St. Louis	3	7
Granite City	2	5

Friday, March 3
Taylorville 62, Collinsville 60
Belleville East 66, Cahokia 65
Belleville West 52, O'Fallon 47

Wednesday, March 8
Edwardsville 61, Belleville West 54

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FAMILY

Senior group plans Tennessee trip

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Republican Journal. She can be contacted at 831-0731.

Saints Alive, a senior group, is planning a trip to Tennessee. The trip will be a combination of what can be made and paid for at the Madison County Baptist office by April 1. There will be a tour of Lookout Mountain and the Tennessee Aquarium. The group will cruise on the Southern Belle for dinner and live entertainment. Also viewed will be the theatrical musical production of "Always... Payne".

The Home Leaven Women met at the local Salvation Army recently and then adjourned to the chapel. A movie was shown about the ordeals of living isolated in the woods. Stories of the hardships were shown on how people live 40 miles apart, where the mail comes every six months, where there are no obstetrics, no birth control and some folks use a generator for electricity.

Barbecued sandwiches were



Lucille Martin

The Pella Health Care and C.O.D.E. is sponsoring "Stress Management for Parents" on March 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 7 to 9 p.m. If you are suffering from the "Mom" blues, come on down to the Towne Michel Symphonies call 345-5200 to register to attend.

served to Joyce Moran, Henrietta Sanders, Norma McAmish, Carol McLean, Linda Bergerson, Marie Koenig, Gies Stue, Anna Rice, Vicki Harper, Zelma Scroggins, Jackie Overton, Jeanette Wiesenberg, Joann Weikert, Diane Casperman, Doris Stark, Jane Pinson, Helen Broadwater, Vera Lynn, Rose Smith, Gladys Freeman, Mary Rayhel, Maxine Rutter, Dorothy King, Barbara Miller and Nina Hull.

After lunch, there was prayer for the sick. The women sorted running gear items for next week's rummage sale.

The meetings are always open for new members. Call 451-7957 for transportation to all meetings.

Ida Holder celebrated her 88th birthday Feb. 26 in the Elmwood Care Center in Maryville. Several other residents were present and enjoyed playing games. Everyone served cake. Guests present were Ruth King, Susan Smart, Priscilla Holder, Desie Langley and Tina Langley.

The next day, Holder's son took her to McDonald's for lunch and another celebration. Relatives accompanying her were her two daughters, Ruth King and Priscilla Holder; her grandchildren, Anna Smart, and her great-granddaughter, Desie and Tina Langley.

There will be a mission friends circus during the big top on April 29 at the Baptist Center. Children ages three to five are welcome to attend from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Rummage sale slated

The Christian Women's Fellowship meeting was held on March 2 at Central Christian Church. The meeting opened with the CWF prayer, followed by a skit called "The Last Supper". The meeting was held at the church. Guests present were Ruth King, Anna Smart, and Tina Langley.

Following the play, cares and concerns were shared with the group.

The Rev. Margaret Turner, read the minutes of the last meeting. Mayra Parrish read the treasurer's report. It was recommended that the proceeds from the gateway area luncheon be donated to the church. The motion was made, seconded and passed.

Helen Stumpf reported that she had not read any books to recommend that month.

The Run Club, Dora Circle and Sarah Circle gave their reports on their meetings. Parrish reported that the food left over from Betty Kelso's funeral dinner was taken to the shut-ins and that the Dora Circle cleaned the church last month.

She also asked that the group remember World Prayer Day.

The purchase of a new stove for the church kitchen was discussed. Mildred Rees and Guyla Stuart said they would check into buying a stove.

President Lena Seitzer said that the church council voted on the policy of borrowing items from the church.

It was passed that no items may be taken from the church.

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The Concert Scene

American Theater
416 N. 3rd 231-7000
Big Head Tadpoles & The Monsters, and The
Dots, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. March 12.
Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$22.50 at the
door. Ugly Americans opens.
Lawn Tradition, 7:30 p.m. March 16.
Tickets are \$22.50.

Newsboys, 7:30 p.m. March 17. Reserved
and general admission tickets \$13.50. For
group rates call 1-800-331-1811.
Sarah McLachlan, with special guest Paula
Cole, 8 p.m. March 25. Reserved tickets are
\$25.50. Call 1-800-331-1811.
Guitar Traveler, 8 p.m. April 14. General
admission tickets \$15. \$17.50 day of
the show.

Audrey's 24KT Lounge

2944 Christy Blvd. 352-7969
Concept, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 17 & 18 and
April 28 & 29.
Little Too Much, March 31 & April 1.

Antique House

1701 W. Main, Belleville, Ill. (618) 234-3434
Eric, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 25.

Art Vielle's Comedy etc.

Hamada Inn, Fairview Heights, Ill. (618)
344-LAFF or (618) 628-1414
"Showtimes on Thursdays and Fridays at
8:30 p.m., Saturdays at 8:30 & 10:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$10.
Larry Miller will perform at 8:30 p.m. March
16, 18, 30 and 10:30 p.m. March 17 & 18. Tickets
are \$15.

Bald Dog M

4149 S. Highway 94 441-4300
Star Hurley & The Soundtrack Band, 9 p.m.
to 1 a.m. March 17 & 18.

Bears Flint Hill Tavern

9035 Hwy. 9, Flint Hill, Mo. 327-0124
Town & Country Band, 6-30 p.m. to 4 a.m.
March 15, 22 & 29.

St. Patrick's Day celebration with Town &
Country Band and guest Jane Young. 8:30 p.m.
to 2:30 p.m. March 17.

The Bernard Pub

214 Morgan on the Landing, 621-4020
Jug Dog, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 23. \$2 cover.

Bethesda Dilworth Memorial

Home
9455 Big Bend Blvd. 948-5460
"Violin Darwyn Apple and organ-plant
William Partridge, will perform at 2:30 p.m.
March 12. The program is open to the public.

The Bel Air

2813 E. Broadway, Alton, Ill. (618) 462-6880
Mark Gordon with London Calling, 9 p.m.
March 25.

Blueberry Hill

6504 Delmar 727-0880 (Music Phone
727-0880)

Two shows start around 9:30 p.m. with a
\$3.25 cover.

Reggae At Hilltop, March 17, April 8 &
22. 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 3, 10, 17 & 24, July 1.

2nd City Players (reggae), March 18,
April 14, May 12 & June 9.

Mop Top (meetups), March 24.
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5, June 16.

Pretty Poly (alternatives), April 1, May 6 &
June 23.

Meggy (reggae), Johnny Maggy
(alt/rock), and Cary James (alternatives), June
2.

Jake's Leg (dead-head rock), April 15 & May
16.

Diamond Stud (country & rock), April 21.

Curnudgeon (Day (modern rock) & Chalk
Circle (modern rock), April 22.

Boat House

212 N. Main, St. Charles 940-9253
Mark Gordon with London Calling, 9 p.m.
March 24.

Boomers

701 Clarendon Alley 621-8155
Drowning Fish, 9:30 p.m. - 2:30 a.m. March
26.

Brandy's Market & Cafe

6252 Delmar 727-3663
Todd Murphy Group, April 23.

Brewsky's

1792 New Florissant Rd. 837-0553
Mike Cody, March 7 & 28.

Rebel, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 13 & 20.

Little Too Much, March 24 & 25.
Concept, March 31.

Zydeco, April 1.

The Brick of St. Louis
3520 S. Broadway 727-9758
Joe Bidwell Trio, March 14 & 28.

Broadway Oyster Bar

100 Broadway 621-8811
Joe Bidwell Trio, March 14 & 28.

Casa Loma Ballroom

3354 Loma 664-8000
Bob Constantine (DJ) March 16, 23 & 30.
Don James Orchestra, March 17 and April
14.

BAC students get the word on foreign languages

When Sgt. Don Jones Jr. of the U.S. Army talked about a career that offered him an opportunity to learn 300 or more students in Vito Benivenga's Spanish 101 class at Belleville Area College were very interested. Jones and Sgt. Steve Crain, who also spoke with BAC and talked about their experiences as linguists and graduates of the Army's Defense Language Institute (DLI) in Monterey, Calif.

Jones and Emmons were certified fluent in Spanish and Russian after they completed the DLI programs. Emmons is learning a third language, Serbo-Croatian.

"I have friends who have language skills they obtained at DLI and they are now out of the service and earning more than

\$100,000 a year as interpreters," Emmons said. "After I get out of the Army, I plan to do the same."

Language training in a college setting and at the Army's installations abroad, Jones and Emmons said. At DLI students attend language classes five days a week, eight hours a day. Instructors are always native speakers. After the first 10 weeks of class, only the foreign language is spoken in class.

"Every known language is taught at DLI," Emmons said. "I was born in Russia after 47 weeks in class. I was sent to Russia on two occasions and could walk down the street and communicate in Russian. I could watch Russian TV, or do whatever I wanted because I could

communicate."

More difficult languages, such as Chinese, require one and a half years of instruction at DLI instead of the usual one year.

Jones and Emmons said, at DLI students attend language classes five days a week, eight hours a day. Instructors are always native speakers. After the first 10 weeks of class, only the foreign language is spoken in class.

"Communication makes the world go around," Emmons said. "With the language skills I have, I think I will be prepared for a career when I'm out of the Army."

For information about BAC foreign language courses, call 235-2700, extension 206.

Butch wax & The Hollywoods, March 18.

Route 66 - The Big Band Sound, March 19

and April 9 & 30.

Big City Big Band, March 24.

Rhythmaires, March 31.

Facts 'O' Life, April 1.

Bob & Linda, April 13, 20 & 27.

Brown, Beans & Ham, April 8.

The New Jay Band, April 15.

Shaggin' with the Shaggers, April 22.

Alley Cats, April 28.

Latin Extravaganza with El Caribe Tropical

Solution Latina, April 29.

Casino St. Charles

Riverfront St. Charles 947-3323

Galaxy, at the dockside casino, 6:30 - 11 p.m.

March 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24.

Fanfare -Kittie Moller, 6:30 - 11:15 p.m.

March 27, 28, 29, 30, and April 1, 2, 3 & 4.

Rose Tattoo, March 25 & 26.

Cave Springs Lanes

4050 Mexico Rd. 441-1774

Short Fuse, March 17 & 18.

Recliners, March 24 & 25.

Random Access, March 23.

1st Prize & American Express Band, April 1.

Christ Church Cathedral

1210 Union St. 221-4564

Jeanette Myers, soprano, Jeanine York

Garcia, clarinet, and Audrey Kooper Ham-

man, piano, perform a recital of music by

such artists as Brahms, Schubert and Brahms.

William Partridge will perform a organ recital

of music by Bach, Liszt, Brahms and Beethoven.

Bill Feldman will perform a free organ

recital at 2:30 p.m. March 16. The concert

features the music of Bach, Liszt, Brahms and Beethoven.

John Christensen

707 Clemmons Alley

John Christensen, 7 - 11 p.m. March 17 and

8 p.m. to midnight March 18.

Reed, 7:30 p.m. March 24, 25 & 26.

Mark Gordon, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 16, 23

and April 13.

Sam Waggoner & Eddie Eastwood, 8 p.m.
to midnight April 17.

The Jersey Lili

4220 Northrup (Kinghighway & I-44)

776-5487

Little Queenie, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. March 14.

Joey's Doghouse

4220 Northrup 938-8443

Chic, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 15, 22 & 29.

Mark Gordon, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 16, 23
& 30.

Wooden Nickel Band, March 17, 18, 24, 25,
& 31.

Johnny's

3612 Grand 664-1900

Big Dog, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. April 7. \$2 cover.

Johnny's Restaurant & Bar

1017 Russell Blvd. 938-0000

Big Daddy's Blues Band, 8 p.m. to midnight

March 16 & 23.

Big Daddy's Blues Band, matinee, and Patti & The Hitmen, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. March 17.

Lonnie & The Blue Flames, 8 p.m. to

midnight March 23.

Big Daddy's Blues Band, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
March 24, 25 & 31.

Jolly Acce

1026 State St., Nashville, Ill. (618) 654-7222

Mark Gordon with Farrell Webber, March
31.

Jordan's Restaurant

425 East Lockwood

101 Union Voices, 8 p.m. May 20. Tickets are

\$11 for students, seniors, and starting artists.

For more information call 644-9113.

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6445 Forest Park Blvd. 938-5843

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The "one of a kind" for young people's series

series presents a performance/lecture featuring Urban Bush Women at 7 p.m. March 18. Tickets are \$10. For more information call 644-9113.

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Braking to a stop: What is involved in a 'brake job'?

You've taken your car in for a brake system inspection and your mechanic says you need a "brake job." But what does that mean? What's involved in a "brake job"? Why should you have it done?

According to automotive expert Jim Lux, who represents Allied Signal Inc. Aftermarket Brake Division as the Bendix Answer Man, brake jobs can be classified under three headings: service and repair, and you should be aware of what's involved prior to having the work done.

Braking down braking systems, Lux explains that brakes use both hydraulic pressure and friction material to stop a car. Friction comes from the pads that push a piston into a master cylinder forcing hydraulic fluid to each of the wheels. At each wheel, fluid pressure causes a piston or pistons in a caliper or in a wheel cylinder to move inward.

That movement forces the friction linings to bear against the metal rotors or drums that rotate with the wheels. Because the pads or shoes are anchored to a stationary part of the car, friction between them and drums or the rotating discs or drums stops the car.

Most cars made during the

last 50 years use a form of the system just described. Cars with power brakes also include a booster that uses vacuum created by the operation of the engine or hydraulic pressure to help your foot push the pedal. The way these cars have anti-lock braking systems (ABS) the basic braking system has not changed.

Replacing pads and shoes. Brake friction stops the car, it's normal for brake linings to wear. Lux says that while most brake linings should last an average of 35,000 miles, driving habits determine how long they will actually last.

The best way to tell if your linings need replacement is to have a certified mechanic conduct a thorough, annual brake system inspection. This way you are assured your brakes are in proper working condition.

Lux adds that whenever you have your brake pads or shoes replaced, they should always be replaced with both wheels. Otherwise the friction may wear unevenly and could cause the car to pull sideways when the brakes are applied.

Replacing drums and rotors

Many times, when brake pads or shoes are replaced, drums or rotors need to be resurfaced and

rotors should always be machined and that a nondirectional finish should be applied. Your mechanic does this by "turning" the drum or rotor on a lathe, while a cutting tool removes any unevenness on the surface.

"Whenever you have drums or rotors turned, be sure your mechanic does not remove more metal than is necessary from the surface," Lux says.

"If too much is removed, it can weaken the drum or rotor. That's why car makers generally stamp specifications right on those parts. While it's all right to resurface the parts within the limits, it's dangerous for a shop to cut the drums or rotors beyond those limits."

When is resurfacing necessary? Lux says it's needed when the surface is glazed or uneven and if you're replacing new brakes resurfacing is always needed. If the surface is just glazed, the glaze can easily be removed by careful

scrapping.

Replacing brake shoes and pads, and resurfacing drums and rotors, are considered normal parts of routine brake system maintenance and servicing. The same can be said for replacement of brake hardware.

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Lux says brake drums and

pins and bushings that keep major brake parts in position and working properly. Failure of any of these small but vital parts may cause serious problems.

Lux also stresses that when replacing drums, be sure to closely inspect the wheel cylinders for signs of leakage. He points out that even a slight seepage of brake fluid is a sign that hydraulic repairs are needed.

Hydraulic system

While periodic inspections will tell you if brake pedals or steering wheel are hot, everyday driving your foot can also tell you if the hydraulic system needs work. One of the most common signs of a system that's failing is a loss of pressure. If the pressure is low, the master cylinder will be unable to move the piston.

"Most often, when air has entered a brake system it's because fluid has leaked out somewhere," says Lux. "The leak can be found and fixed.

Considering the conditions of hydraulic brake systems, high operating pressures and temperatures as well as road hazards, it's amazing that they don't break down more often. Lux says there really isn't much that can do about brake shoes and pads wearing eventually, since they accomplish their

task through friction, however, thorough, annual brake system inspections can spot potential damage. Consider, for example, that your brake fluid doesn't suffer moisture contamination, these important maintenance procedures will ensure maximum life and performance from your brake system.

Brake system safety checklist

Brakes are more than shoes and pads, they are also critical to the safety of a car or truck. If one part of the system fails, the load transfers to another part adding more wear and increasing the chances for more failure.

At the very least, increased

wear and tear on the entire

braking system.

A proper brake inspection means carefully checking everything from the shoes and pads that includes:

• Check pads and shoes for lining wear and replace if necessary.

• Check all wheel cylinders and replace or rebuild if necessary.

• Check the calipers and replace or rebuild if necessary.

• Check drums and rotors for excessive wear, run out and thickness variation.

Before planting, consider installing an irrigation system

Once a garden site and soil are ready for planting and vegetables have been selected, visualize and plan a row system for the vegetables. Some plan a center line, some plan a system between rows to regulate moisture in the garden. A simple drip irrigation system, such as the Drip Watering Kit from DIG Corporation, can be installed in a small garden in an afternoon with little or no digging.

The system totals \$30.60.

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droplets and fine streams. The tubing usually is buried or covered with mulch to hide it from view.

DIG's Drip Watering Kit is an ideal solution for gardeners to introduce themselves to the increasingly popular process of drip irrigation, which is the most efficient way to water the root zone of selected plantings. As a result, no water is evaporated by the sun or blown away by the wind, nor is any wasted on non-growth areas. This slow application, over extended periods of

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Once planted, apply a balanced fertilizer, one that is rich in nitrogen, phosphate and potassium needed to produce vigorous plant growth. Look for a time-releasing fertilizer that will disperse nutrients throughout the growing sea-

son. Also, check planting instructions for each vegetable to determine if it has additional fertilizer needs.

Now that you know the secrets to growing bountiful vegetables, it's time to put them to use. The result will be a bumper crop of delicious vegetables.

For a free information booklet about drip irrigation and how it works from the DIG Corporation, send a self-addressed, stamped business size envelope to: DIG Booklet, 130 Bosstick Blvd., San Marcos, Calif. 92069.

Grants, donations spur Arts, Issues

More than \$30,000 in grants and private money will help underwrite the current Arts and Issues program, a new series at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, providing "vital support" for this "important" program, says Arts and Issues Coordinator Richard Walker.

The grants totaled \$30,640.

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support and I am gratified that these agencies have recognized the importance of Arts and Issues in the region," Walker also pointed out that financial assistance is crucial to the continued existence of Arts and Issues. "Without this vital support, tickets for Arts and Issues events would cost \$30 or more, rather than our normal admission prices, which are much less," he said.

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